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Message from the President

Season's greetings to all and I hope you all found the Coin you have been wishing for under your Christmas tree. A New Year and a New show. Norcal IV is right around the corner. Equally or better as last years show. We celebrate our 40th Anniversary this year, and we would like to do it up right. I would like to see interest in silver round commemorating the 40th anniversary. I would like to have another youth day on the Sunday of our convention. People are still talking about the youth Auction that was so very popular and well attended. Even Though we are still half a year away from the convention it takes a year of planning to get the ball rolling to make the convention worth while. A focused staff pledged to do the best they can.

I also want to Solicit Nominations for the Ron Miller Award. A dead line of 30 June has been set to receive the nominations. They should be addressed to the president and mailed to 2107 Gill Drive Concord Ca 94520-2232. The award will be presented at the annual Banquet usually held on Saturday evening of the convention.

A special thanks goes out to Mike Turrini, the force behind the publicity for making last years convention a huge success, breaking attendance figures from the previous years. Soliciting fine speakers for the Forum that was well attended.

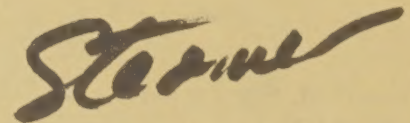
Thank You James Laird for your generosity in underwriting the speakers Luncheon. Much appreciated and fine service by the Peppermill Staff.

Big Kudos' to Walter Ostromecki for making the trip up to coordinate the Youth Auction and all the Dealers and collectors that donated to this fine event. Much appreciated.

Let me not forget the staff the manned the registration desk, Fred van den Haak, James Laird, Mike Fiore, Mark Clarkson, Gordon Donnell.

Lets all pitch in and make the 40th Anniversary one to Remember!

Yours in Numismatics,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Steve", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

THE MINTMASTER'S QUILL: An Editor's Prerogative

My Friends:

Greetings! Happy New Year! This year, 2001, marks and measures the Twentieth (20th) Anniversary of NCNA HEADS AND TALES. Begin in April 1981 with its First Issue, typed on my long retired Underwood manual typewriter; yes, a manual typewriter, it has been now twenty years, two decades, and one score since Your Editor, *literally by-the-seat-of-his-pants!*, launched this NCNA HEADS AND TALES. The format, length, and publication have remain much the same, and as a credit to many very late hours and time sacrificed on Holidays or taken away from other pressing obligations, NCNA HEADS AND TALES has never missed an Issue nor been late.

With this year, Your Editor shall commemorate this special anniversary----*remembering that twenty years is a very long time and very few, very few, editors of any publication endure that long!*---with the three 2001 issues Mintmaster's Quill reflecting, rambling, and regarding these themes: January 2001, RESPECT, May 2001, RECOLLECTIONS (*the May 2001 Issue will be a special commemorative issue as it is the actual anniversary issue*), and RESOLVE, September 2001. The intention being to complement to the masthead Mission '*To serve and To promote northern California numismatics*'.

The twenty years has witness much in my life and career also our lives and world plus our mutual hobby. Just one example: remember it was twenty years ago we suffered the Anthony Dollar! Yet, there are certain concerns and timely things that remain, are still true, and will be always true, and endure. One is RESPECT.

RESPECT is one of those words which is positive in nature, warms the heart when heard or read, and reminds us of our better angels. What Does It Have To Do With Numismatics?

If you read further in this Issue, you will begin to learn why Your Editor chose it as a theme. The tragic deaths of Hans Hansson, of the San Francisco Coin Club, and Bernie Mastroianni, of the Reno Coin Club, speak volumes of one truism that Your Editor has preached for twenty years on these pages of NCNA HEADS AND TALES: 'coins do not collect people; people collect coins, and much more'. Now, What Does RESPECT Mean For A Coin Hobbyist?

RESPECT: did you pay your local coin club dues on time or even early or must the group trouble you and waste more time with reminders and pleas?

RESPECT: did you attend regularly meetings and participate or do you attend sporadically or arrive late disrupting?

RESPECT: if asked to volunteer or to assist, do you answer positively or is your response always 'No'.

RESPECT: if a fellow member suffers a tragedy, do you express your empathy or is it just this is only a coin club, not my family nor friends?

RESPECT: at the meetings and its activities, do you listen attentively and contribute or do you talk when others are addressing or getup and do something rudely?

RESPECT: if asked to serve some position or office, do you respond positive or is it some trite excuse or indiffernet explanation that you know is not true nor valid?, *and continuing,*

RESPECT: do you complain, criticize, or compliment the 'clicks' or do you contribute, cooperate, and construct?

RESPECT, in the end regardless of the prior questions, revolves around the simple but eternal Golden Rule: *do on to others as you would have them do onto you*. Now, you might say what does our coin hobby and my local coin club have to do with The Golden Rule? Well, My Friends, as was opened, 'coins do not collect people; people collect coins'. The silence of our collectibles and their cold, metallic feel confirm that our hobby is first and foremost a hobby of people, and RESPECT is the mortar that builds our hobby into its posterity, for us now and for those to follow. *Think About It.*

Numismatically Yours,

Michael S. Turini
Editor

2001 NOR-CAL IV SHOW

Our Association will sponsor its Nor-Cal IV on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, July 27, 28, and 29, 2001, the last weekend of July, again at the Concord Sheraton Hotel, 45 John Glenn Drive, off Concord Avenue, in Concord, California. The Show's hours will be: Friday, 12:00 PM (Noon) to 6:00 PM, Saturday, 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM, and Sunday, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Admission and parking will be both FREE.

This year's Nor-Cal IV doubles as the Association's Fortieth (40th) Anniversary, 1961-2001, and there will be a repeat of the famous Saturday Speaker Extravaganza, with returning speakers with new topics plus special collector meetings, and the outstanding Sunday 'Coins For Kids Day', with its well-received Youth Auction. There will be also the Saturday evening Show Dinner, and invitation has been extended to a few national hobby leaders to attend and participate in the full-day, all-day Saturday and Sunday activities.

The May 2001 NCNA HEADS AND TALES will include the complete itinerary and program for this anniversary Show, and heavy promotional publicity mailings will shortly be mailed to all northern California coin clubs and the numismatic press and national hobby leadership.

For Bourse information, with Bourse Applications to be ready in February 2001, returning and potential coin dealers may contact 'Vince Lacariere, Fremont Coin Gallery, 3769 Peralta Blvd, Suite #L, Fremont, California, 94536-3758' or telephone him at '510-526-0538' or e-mail at CoinVince@aol.com.

For Exhibit information and publicity, please contact Your Editor at 'PO Box 4101, Vallejo, California, 94590-0410' or telephone him at '707-453-6277', weekdays only, or e-mail at stanyrbk@vusd.solanocoe.K12.ca.us.

For Show information and the Anniversary, please contact the Show Coordinator Mike Stanley at '2107 Gill Drive, Concord, California, 94520-2232' or telephone him at '925-825-0649' or e-mail at xsteamers@aol.com.

NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

The Association's Board of Directors has scheduled two Board Meetings within the next six months as follows: first, on Sunday, February 19, 2001, at 9:00 AM, during the California State Numismatic Association (CSNA) Semiannual Convention, held at the DoubleTree Hotel, 1055 Van Ness Avenue, in downtown Fresno, California. The exact room or location will be announced at this Convention, and the second, on Sunday, May 6, 2001, at 2:30 PM, during the Vallejo Numismatic Society's Twenty-Ninth (29th) Annual Vallejo Coin Show, in the Solano County Building, Art Exhibit Room, on the Solano County Fairgrounds, 900 Fairgrounds Drive, off Highway 37 and I-80, in north Vallejo.

All Club Delegates and others are welcomed to attend both Board Meetings, and specific information as these two upcoming gatherings may be telephoned to President Mike Stanley at '925-825-0649' or e-mailed at xsteamers@aol.com.

2001-2002 EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

The recent biannual election had these following Individual Members elected:

MICHAEL M. STANLEY, President
MICHAEL J. FIORE, First Vice-President
DAVID C. EVANS, Second Vice-President
FRED G. van den HAAK, Secretary, and
MICHAEL S. TURRINI, Treasurer.

President Stanley agreed to continue as the Show Coordinator and has already appointed Stan Turrini to the Show's Publicity and Program positions and reappointed him as the Editor of NCNA HEADS AND TALES. Other appointments were announced above and will be reported in NCNA HEADS AND TALES as required. These Officers will serve a two (2) year term, effective from January 2001.

SAD NEWS

Among all the announcements and various glad tidings about the Association's Fortieth (40th) Anniversary and Nor-Cal IV, **Wendall Hooker**, Charter Member #13, and President 1977-1978, passed away late December 2000. As this issue of NCNA HEADS AND TALES was almost complete, a much more full and just testimony and report will be included in the May 2001 issue. Condolences may be extended to his well-known brother, and also a Past President, Denis Hooker at '65 Post Street, San Jose, California, 95113-2411'.

ANOTHER ANNIVERSARY

In addition to the Association's historic anniversary this year, this year also marks the Twentieth (20th) Anniversary, 1981-2001, of this NCNA HEADS AND TALES, all still prepared and published by your same Editor. Some commemorations are anticipated in the May and September Issues, as space and opportunity allow. Readers are welcomed to review the MintMaster's Quill in this Issue.

2001 DUES

Enclosed with this Issue is your annual Dues Notice, mailed to all those who receive NCNA HEADS AND TALES. *Note:* Life Members and those having prepaid their membership in-advance are not obligated for annual dues. The dues rates remain: \$5.00 for Individual Members and \$10.00 for Club Members. Prompt, positive remittance would be appreciated and asked.

Note: since the membership roster was not fully checked last year, those failing to renew definitely this year shall be terminated *this February 2001*.

ANNIVERSARY MEDAL

As has been traditional these past decades with our Association, every five years the Northern California Numismatic Association (NCNA) does a club medal. This year being our Association's Fortieth (40th) Anniversary designs and suggestions are solicited from the members. The stipulations are simple: the design must accent the anniversary with a topic or theme related to northern California, and not be something that has been used before (San Francisco Cable Cars, the Golden Gate Bridge, etc.). The legend needs to include *the full name of the Association and the anniversary years, 1961-2001*.

Designs adhering to these stipulations are due *by March 1, 2001* and may be mailed to 'PO Box 4104, Vallejo, California, 94590-0410'.

Order Forms will be included in the May 2001 NCNA HEADS AND TALES. Both silver and off-medal issues will be offered. Prices will be announced on the Order Form.

COIN SHOW SCHEDULE

Is attached as the last page to this Issue and remains a popular service of our Association. Requests for complimentary copies may be directed to 'PO Box 60484, Palo Alto, California, 94306-0484'.

Note: if a local coin club wishes its show published, it is that coin club's responsibility to correspond to the aforementioned post office box, **not** to the one for the Association and NCNA HEADS AND TALES, with its respective details adequately in-advance. If nothing is received, nothing will be published.

COIN CLUB LIST

The next revised List will be published this July 2001, in conjunction with the Nor-Cal IV Show.

BRANCH MINT REPORTS: Club News and Happenings

Have been receiving bulletins, newsletters, and news releases from these following local coin clubs. Please mail your periodicals and club news to Your Editor for reporting here and for inclusion in the quarterly CALCOIN NEWS of the California State Numismatic Association (NCNA). Mail to the post office box published on the cover page. *Thank You.*

PENINSULA COIN CLUB Writes that JOHN BROWN and BRUCE GREENBELT made generous cash donations to the PCC, while KEN SCWANDA was the big winner in the PCC's 2000 Show Drawing with a \$10.00 Liberty Gold Eagle! A recent SuperQuiz had a State Quarter Series Question: "Question: 'Bradstown House' relates to which United States coin? Answer: The Kentucky State Series Quarter next year, and 'My Old Kentucky Home' by Stephen Foster, was written in that House". Here is another one: "Question: I was a chemist and mineralogist and born in France. How do I relate to the United States numismatics? Answer: James Smithson, an Englishman, who bequeathed his estate to the United States Government and created the Smithsonian Institution, which was honored with a 1996 commemorative silver dollar and a gold Five Dollar coin". Here is another: "We are 44,148. Who are we? Answer: The number of United States Trade Dollars which were melted in 1878!".

DELTA COIN CLUB Has new Officers, and they will be head by new President WILLIAM HORNING, who is replacing KEVIN V. MALOY. Two DCC members were honored last September 2000 with the 'National Coordinator's Award for Numismatic Excellence' by American Numismatic Association (ANA) National Coordinator DR. WALTER A. OSTROMECKI, JR, and they were: STEWART HUCKABY, now relocated to The Lone Star State, and WILLIAM HORNING. As this issue of NCNA HEADS AND TALES is being mailed and delivered, the DCC will be enjoying its January 12, 2001 Annual Dinner, held at Stockton, California's Eagles' Hall, with Your Assistant Editor as the Master of Ceremonies (m/c) and honored guest and speaker JOHN WILSON, with wife NANCY, American Numismatic Association (ANA) Vice-President, who will be visiting three local coin clubs here in northern California: the mentioned Delta (Stockton, California) Coin Club, the Sacramento Valley Coin Club, and the Fremont Coin Club. Details as to their respective business will be reported in the May 2001 NCNA HEADS AND TALES, and the Club has done a limited issued wooden nickel to commemorate the Wilsons' visit, and extras might be available. Write to: *'Delta Coin Club, PO Box 216, Victor, California, 95253-0216'.*

LIBERTY NUMISMATIC SOCIETY The recent big news from the LNS was its annual and famous October Book Auction. "Guest STEPHEN HUSTON reprised his role as Auctioneer for the fabulous October Book Auction, and he did a bang-up job of selling the vast array of donated books, catalogs, and periodicals. Notable donors included DON BARS, CHRIS' JEWELRY, DAVID CIENIEWICZ, DAVID EVANS, DAVID FOUKE, MARK GEALY, DR. PAUL HOLTZMAN, STEPHEN HUSTON, VINCE LACARIERE, DAVID LANGE, ELIZABETH LYTLE, LARRY V. REPPETEAU, JOE WARGO, and HOWARD WHEELER. The volunteer efforts of DAVID EVANS, GORDON DONNELL, GENE HOY, STEPHEN HUSTON, and JIM ROSEN in preparing for and conducting the Auction are especially acknowledged. Winning bidders included KEN BARR, DAVID EVANS, with HOWARD WHEELER, as the major purchasers, along with NEVIO ANDREATTA, DON BARS, RON BAUGHMAN, KIRBY BROWN, CHUCK CALL, MARK W. CLARK, GORDON DONNELL, GENE HOY, RON JOHNSON, MEL KRINSKY, AL LO, GEORGE PROCTOR, LARRY REPPETEAU, VIC 'Professor Numismaniac' ROLLO, JIM ROSEN, CHRIS THOMPSON, and STEPHEN WONG. . . Treasurer-Designate BOB PIPER is still getting organized; however, a report at the Board Meeting indicated that the Book Auction revenues were \$1084.95!". Sad News Also Has Be Reported From The LNS: MEL KRINSKY, active in the San Francisco Coin Club as well as the Liberty Numismatic Society, passed away early November. The LNS is happy to report that one its members, and most respected coin hobbyist and activist, was honored by DR. WATLER A. OSTROMECKI, last December 9, 2000, with the 'National Coordinator's Award for Numismatic Excellence', and he is GENE HOY. Congratulations! DAVID EVANS did the actual presentation at the LNS's December 5, 2000 meeting, and speaking of DAVID EVANS, himself a recipient of this same Award and an American Numismatic Association (ANA) District Delegate; he has become the new Editor of the quarterly MINT MARK of the ANA and its national Representative Program. His first issue is anticipated early 2001. As can be read, the LNS has again been active, and it welcomes visitors and new members, too! Write to: *Liberty Numismatic Society, PO Box 300, Millbrae, California, 94030-0300'.*

PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

Your Editor has only one of the recent PCNS monthly BULLETINS at hand. Recent PCNS speakers were: August 23, 2000, DAVID EVANS, with 'ANA Convention Memories, Memorabilia, and Awards': "DAVID gave us detailed descriptions of some of his adventures and provided enough display material of souvenirs to thoroughly cover an entire table at our meeting. He also brought back a stack of the new State Quarter Boards for the members to take for themselves and their friends and families". The September 27, 2000 meeting heard AB BECK, from The Coin Lode, in Chico, California, speak on 'Topical Is Topical'. With only one PCNS BULLETIN at hand, Your Editor cannot report much more.

GATEWAY COIN CLUB

GCC President MARILYN BUCKINGHAM "announced that distant Club Member GORDON DONNELL re-upped for five years, through 2005! For those of you who were not militarily-inclined in your youth and do not understand military lingo, that means GORDON has paid five years of membership dues!". Last October 5, 2000 SARAH NORDIN spoke on 'Collecting Prison Tokens': "SARAH, a professor of Criminal Justice at Solano Community College, began collecting prison-related exonomia just five years ago, after finding a prison token in a coin dealer's bargain box. She is often referred to as 'The Prison Lady' in San Francisco Bay Area numismatic circles". The Gateway Coin Club is pleased to announce that its *Twenty-Eighth (28th) Coin Expo* will be on Sunday, June 10, 2001, in Merced, California, at the Merced Community Center, on 15th and O Streets, in downtown Merced, California. This Show will be 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, with parking free and a nominal \$1.00 admission. A thirty-two table bourse is anticipated plus exhibits. Information on this Show may be contacted at 'PO Box 3101, Merced, 95344-1101' or via e-mail at gatewaycc@joelscoins.com or FAX or telephone at '209-722-5426'. The Club continues to meet on the *First and Third Thursdays at California Federal Bank, 19th and M Streets, in downtown Merced.*

REDWOOD EMPIRE COIN CLUB

Was proud to have two of its Life Members, LEE H. GONG and MICHAEL M. STANLEY, honored in 2000 with becoming Krause Publication's Numismatic Ambassadors. In addition, last November 4, 2000, LEE was presented his *second* American Numismatic Association (ANA) President's Award by current ANA President H. ROBERT CAMPBELL. The RECC's November 8, 2000, in behalf of President CAMPBELL, ANA Regional Coordinator MICHAEL S. TURRINI bestowed this honor before the attending crowd at the Club's Six Hundredth (600th) Meeting, with a standing ovation and loud applause plus numerous congratulations. Only four individuals have been bestowed the special President's Award, and three are all Life Members of the Redwood Empire Coin Club: MIKE STANLEY, LEE GONG, and STAN TURRINI, and all three were at the aforementioned meeting. The October 11, 2000 was the Club's First Annual Helen and Roy Roberts Club Benefit Auction: "There were forty-four (44) members present, and there were forty-four (44) items in this Auction. Action was often fast and furious, as well as agonizingly slow at times as auctioneer MERLE AVILA tried to move things-a-long. . . two of the hardest workers were ROY, keeping tabs of the items being sold, and HELEN making the change. The proceeds were put in a bucket until the end of the Auction. When tallied, the grand total was \$383.00!". Correction: the 2001 Redwood Empire Coin Club Show will be on *'Saturday and Sunday, March 24 and 25, 2001, in the Finley Hall, on the Sonoma County Fairgrounds, 1350 Bennett Valley Road, in Santa Rosa, California'*. Other dates having been reported are in error.

SAN JOSE COIN CLUB

Held a special Super Auction at its October 11, 2000 meeting: "This month it was the Super Auction with KEN BARR was the Auctioneer. VIC LAZZARO ran the recording table, and DAVID EVANS was the Runner. The first half of this Auction saw some very lively bidding with the highlight being an unnumbered Cupertino Medal going for over \$200.00!". . . Finally, KEN BARR started Part Two of this giant Auction. Again, many items found new homes, and lively bidding was seen on a few items.". The SJCC ended 2000 with its annual December Party at its December 13, 2000 meeting.

ALAMEDA COIN CLUB

Did mail one of its THICK-AND-THIN TIMES. The Sad News from the ACC is that longtime member and retired local educator FRED KJELLAND passed away last July 2000. FRED was a loyal member of the Club for years and for years was the 'Mail Man' for the ACC, only stopping just shortly before his death at 83. The ACC continues to meet on the *'Second Tuesday at the Woodstock Homeowners Association, 1711 Second Street at Pacific, on Alameda'*. The Club gather's in the Meeting Room of the Association.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY COIN CLUB

Writes that 2001 will have new Officers, and they are: MARION IMEL, President, DR. RODNEY W. BAKER, Vice-President, DENNIS LEMELIN, Secretary, LARRY BRYANT, Corresponding Secretary, CHUCK WEBER, Treasurer, and BILL McCASLIN, Assistant Treasurer. Voting was done at the December 13, 2000 meeting, and it was announced ahead of time: "hopefully, we will not have a Florida recount as we only have one member from Florida". These newly elected Officers will be installed by Your Editor, who will serve as the Master of Ceremonies (m/c), at the SVCC's Installation Dinner, on January 11, 2001, at Roseville's Old Spaghetti Factory. At this same annual Installation Dinner, the honored guest and special speaker will be JOHN WILSON, current American Numismatic Association (ANA) President, with his wife, NANCY, who now live and vote in Florida. Reports on their visit with the SVCC, the Delta (Stockton, California) Coin Club, and the Fremont Coin Club will be announced in the next issue of NCNA HEADS AND TALES and the California State Numismatic Association's (CSNA) CALCOIN NEWS; however, the WILSONS are already anticipating a return trip in January 2002! The SVCC will hold its Seventeenth (17th) Annual Spring Show on 'March 31, 2001 and April 1, 2001, in the Sacramento Convention Center, 1400 J Street, in downtown Sacramento'.

FRESNO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

Its monthly FRESNO NUMISMATIST has some reports. First, both current Treasurer BRIAN HANSEN and Secretary DENNIS SOLIDAY have stated their respective intentions to 'step-down', both with three years each in their positions. Next the Fresno Numismatic Society will be relocating soon, when in 2001 was not announced. Of course, just as important, will be the Society's hosting the *One Hundred-Eighth (108th) Semiannual Convention of the California State Numismatic Association (CSNA) on Saturday and Sunday, February 16 and 17, 2001, at Fresno's DoubleTree Hotel*. At this Show, FNS own RUTH PHILIPS will be installed as the CSNA's 'first-lady', its new President.

SAN FRANCISCO COIN CLUB

Writes that two of its members had passed-on. MEL KRINCKY on November 4, 2000 and recently HANS HANSSON on December 16, 2000. Both were staunch supporters for and of the SFCC over the years, and both lost their respective battles with cancer. Just before his death, HANS was honored with a 'National Coordinator's Award for Numismatic Excellence' by DR. WATLER A. OSTROMECKI, JR., in testimony of his devotion. Your Editor would like to share with NCNAers what he wrote about HANS, and not taking away from MEL either, back in 1991 when Your Editor was requested to nominate HANS for a national honor: "HANS, quietly and without fanfare, has maintained the San Francisco Coin Club and saved it from collapse. Always There. Always Willing. Always Generous, and Always Willing To Do It Again, and Again. You name it: collect dues, record the minutes, cook the Christmas turkey, plus donate it, man the coin show, setup tables, sweep the floor, unlock the door, answer the mail, and pay the bills, be Santa Claus, give a talk on coins, balance two different group's finances, and attend officer meetings, and so on. How does HANS react to doing, and continuing to do, his share, his more than fair share? Always with a smile. Always with a warm handshake. Always with a positive reply. Always being there. I have yet to hear him say 'No'". These words, all the truth then and still so today, spoke volumes as to HANS character and dedication to the SFCC. Thank You For Reading.

SOLANO SILVER ROUND CLUB

Was glad that some of its members were able to join the International Association of Silver Art Collectors (IASAC) at its Annual Convention in Sacramento, California, on Saturday, November 4, 2000. The SSRC President, and Medals Coordinator, STAN TURRINI presented a short program about the SSRC and its founding and Founder, the late LUCKY WILLIAMS. Later, in the evening, several SSRC members joined the IASAC for a dinner in Old Sacramento's Fat City, at which H. ROBERT CAMPBELL, American Numismatic Association (ANA) President attended and honored visitor LEE H. GONG with his *second* President's Award. Present at this dinner were four other President's Award honorees: STAN TURRINI, MIKE STANLEY, JAN HENKE, and JOE SIROIS. The SSRC has reelected its Officers for a two year term, and they are: STAN TURRINI, President, JOE SIROIS, Vice-President, JAN HENKE, Secretary, and DR. RODNEY W. BAKER, Treasurer. The SSRC is doing a medal for California's Statehood Sesquicentennial, and an Order Form is enclosed with this issue of NCNA HEADS AND TALES. The SSRC plans an annual open meeting next Sunday, May 6, 2001 at and during the Twenty-Ninth (29th) Annual Vallejo Coin Show in the Solano County Building, Art Exhibit Room, 900 Fairgrounds Drive, off State Highway 37 and Interstate 80, in Vallejo, across from MarineWorld/Six Flags. This gathering is open to anyone who is interested in silver rounds and club medals. The SSRC ended its 2000 year with a Holiday Party at Fairfield's Pietro's on December 14, 2000 with its famous Quarterly Drawing.

VALLEJO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

Has been active and has a lot to report. First, its Officers were reelected, and they are: HARRY DAVIS, President, DR. RODNEY W. BAKER, Vice-President, STAN TURRINI, Treasurer, and IRENE CARRILLO, Secretary. Second, the Society's held its Seventh (7th) Annual Maxine M. Hopperstad Auction at its December 6, 2000 meeting, and with one hundred twenty-seven (127) donated lots, some \$400.00 was earned for the Society's Youth Activities. The Auctioneers were STAN TURRINI and MIKE STANLEY, with DR. BAKER the recorder, BILL BARTZ, the runner, and JAN HENKE, the accountant. Third, SCOTT MATHIS, from St. Helena, California, spoke at its November 1, 2000 meeting, on his flight and flying into and out-of the frozen southern continent, Antarctic. Fourth, the VNS will be holding its *Twenty-Ninth (29th) Vallejo Coin and Collectibles Show on Sunday, May 6, 2001, hours 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, at this Show's new site, the Solano County Fairgrounds, Solano County Building, Art Exhibit Room, 900 Fairgrounds Drive, at State Highway 37 and Interstate 80, in Vallejo.* Admission will be free, and there is paved parking. Three groups will gather during this Show, and these are: the Solano Silver Round Club, the Western Wooden Money Club, and our own Northern California Numismatic Association. The Bourse Coordinator for this Vallejo Show is MIKE STANLEY, and he may be reached at '2107 Gill Drive, Concord, California, 94520-2232', '925-825-0649', with e-mail at xsteamex@aol.com. The VNS, with its neighbor the Redwood Empire (Santa Rosa, California) Coin Club, held their joint Sesquicentennial Night last September 23, 2000: "Some sixty members and visitors enjoyed a fine meal, great fellowship, and an outstanding drawing (raffle) of all San Francisco Mint 'S' gold coinage." *Note:* For Your Editor, this Night was quite special, after being in this hobby for thirty-five (35) years, he won his *first-ever* Twenty Dollar Double Eagle in the drawing! H. ROBERT CAMPBELL, American Numismatic Association (ANA) President, was the special guest and Master of Ceremonies (m/c). The Night has several special honors: DR. WALTER A. OSTROMECKI, JR. presented three 'National Coordinator's Award for Numismatic Excellence' to WILLIAM HORNING, from the Delta Coin Club, BOB SATHER, of the Vallejo Numismatic Society, and STEWART HUCKABY, now living in Austin, Texas. President CAMPBELL honored three individuals with his President's Award, and they were: SANDY BEARDEN, FRED G. van den HAAK, and JOE SIROIS. Present at this Sesquicentennial Night were *nine* other previous President's Award honorees: JAN D. HENKE, LEE H. GONG, SYDNEY KASS, KEVIN V. MALOY, DR. WALTER A. OSTROMECKI, JR., MICHAEL M. STANLEY, MICHAEL S. TURRINI, and O.L. WALLIS. President CAMPBELL was honored by the VNS with becoming its only Fifth (5th) Honorary Member. In addition, JOE SIROIS was elevated as the Society's tenth (10th) recipient of the VNS highest honor, its Service Medal. Special Thanks for a successful Sesquicentennial Night goes to LEE H. GONG. *A Great Evening and Rightly Deserved Honors!*

RENO COIN CLUB

Our neighboring local coin club in The Silver State reports the death of one of its most respected members, BERNIE MASTIOANNI. Your Editor will allow RUSTY KING to honor BERNIE, as was published in the RCC's November 2000 RENO CARTWHEEL: "On October 27, 2000, our Club lost one of its best friends with the passage of BERNIE MASTIOANNI. BERNIE was RCC Life Member #6 and was active in the affairs of our Club almost from its beginning in 1984. BERNIE's ability to see all points of view made him a person who was most often able to get a consensus to get the Club's work done without ruffling anybody's else's feathers. Quite simply put, BERNIE got along with just about everybody. Even when we disagreed, BERNIE's logic was never condescending or with malice. He would simply explain that he felt that it was good for the long-term health of the Reno Coin Club and let it go at that. BERNIE at times served our Club as a Board Member, Vice-President, and President. BERNIE was responsible for us having a meeting place at Clayton Middle School these past two years. Even though he no longer collected coins actively, BERNIE was still active force in the Reno Coin Club. On a personal note, I am proud to have been BERNIE's friend. I will miss him very much". *Note:* it is always sad that our local coin clubs lose members of BERNIE, or HANS, or others, for the real sadness remains that so few ever thanked them for their devotion and even fewer are willing to do even a small portion of what they sacrifice. *True, Damn True. Think About It.*

LIVERMORE VALLEY COIN CLUB

Ended 2000 with its December 19, 2000 Potluck Dinner: its popular 'slab toss'. The October newsletter credited TOM SCHROEDER: "A special thanks to member TOM SCHROEDER for bringing the monthly snacks to all the meetings for this past year. My (Editor) waist line would like to thank you also". The September newsletter recognized "a special thanks to member DAVID EVANS for presenting all those attending the September 19, 2000 meeting a nice souvenir back" from the August 2000 American Numismatic Association (ANA) Convention, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

DIABLO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

Has Been Active: First, last November 16, 2000 was its Third Annual Contra Costa Coin Show at the Concord Veterans Memorial Building. The big winners in the special scrip drawing were: \$50.00 VIRGINIA JORDAN, \$75.00 STAN TURRINI, and \$50.00 DOUG DANIELS. Yes, DOUG Won! Second, the Society ended its 2000 year with its Annual Holiday Party held at JAMES and LISA LAIRD's home in Alamo, California. The complete dinner was cooked by Chef MIKE and NANCY-JO STANLEY, including a six-legged turkey! The new Officers for the DNS were elected and installed at this Holiday Party, and they are: MIKE FIORE, President, STAN TURRINI, Vice-President, MARK CLARKSON, Treasurer, and MIKE STANLEY, Secretary. Retiring President STAN TURRINI, ending his nine years as the President, presented a engraved gavel to the new President MIKE FIORE, and he also awarded framed Commendatory Citations to: MIKE FIORE, STEWART HUCKABY, SCOTT JACKSON, JAMES and LISA LAIRD, JOHN RUSSELL, plus MIKE and NANCY-JO STANLEY. In return, STAN TURRINI was honored as the Society's only third-ever Life Member, and third, earlier at the October 19, 2000 was the Society's first-ever October-Fest Paper Money Night' with MIKE FIORE.

CUPERTINO COIN CLUB

Had 'Donation Auction' and 'State of the Market' program at its November 10, 2000 meeting: "Ye Olde Editor was in Tennessee during last month's (October) meeting but was told that the Donation Auction was a smashing success with \$287.00 raised for the Club's treasury. Auctioneer BRUCE BRAGA reportedly milked the audience for every cent in their pockets. Due to the unexpected length of this Auction, the off-postponed 'State of the Market' presentation by President BRUCE BRAGA was, ummm, once again postponed...". The Club's October 13, 2000 meeting was its Annual Youth Night "conducted by Youth Vice-President SPENCER MORGAN. In addition to running through the regular Club reports and activities, he managed the 'Beauty and Beast Contest' which had twenty total entries. The lucky member NATALLIE TYSON won both the 'Beauty' part with an American West medal and the 'Beast' part with an ancient Roman Empire coin.". On the following Saturday, October 14, 2000, the CCC held its Sixteenth (16th) Annual Club Banquet at Cupertino's Blue Pheasant Restaurant. Eight new Life Members were inducted: JENNIFER JOHNSON, SALLY JOHNSON, RAY JOHNSON, RON IKEBE, MAX BAER, MICHAEL BAER, RONDA JOHNSON, and PETE KOCISKO. With the December 2000 COIN PRESS issue, Editor KEN BARR is ending his service, after five years and sixty issues: "It has been a fun five years, but time-consuming, and time to pass the reins to another member". *Thanks For The Great Job!, KEN BARR---Your Editor.*

FAIRFIELD COIN CLUB

Has Been Also Active. Winning exhibitors at its September 24, 2000 Fairfield Coin Show were: DR. RODNEY W. BAKER, The Campbell Award, for his 'Centennial Olympic Coins' and STAN TURRINI, The President's Award, for his 'Currency Goes To War'. The FCC Show was honored with a northern California meeting of the California Exonumist Society (CES) meeting attended by KATHLEEN LENKER, DOROTHY BABER, and VIRGINIA BOURKE, all from San Diego, California. Recent FCC meeting programs have been: October 25, 2000, 'Paper Money Night' with SYD KASS, on 'The Wandering Third Printings' and November 22, 2000 'Kennedy Half Dollar Night' with STAN TURRINI, and MIKE STANLEY, on 'Where Were You On November 22, 1963?'. As already reported, Past President JOE SIROIS was elevated as an American Numismatic Association (ANA) President's Award honoree, joining these fellow FCC members like honored: JAN D. HENKE, STAN TURRINI, MIEK STANLEY, GORDON DONNELL, LEE GONG, and HELEN L. CARMODY-LEBO, plus SANDRA L. BEARDEN, who was unable to attend the event to be presented personally her Award. The FCC joined its neighbor the Vallejo Numismatic Society last Saturday, December 9, 2000 for their Annual Joint Christmas Party at Fairfield's Anheuser-Busch Brewery. Some one hundred members and guests attended, and three 'National Coordinator's Awards for Numismatic Excellence' by visiting DR. WALTER A. OSTROMECKI, JR, were presented: IRENE CARRILLO, GENE HOY, and RUSSELL LEACH, who is the current Treasurer for the Fairfield Coin Club and responsible for the two groups having the facility and beer free at the Brewery. Also honored at this Joint social with the two groups special honor, its Joint Plaque, was MIKE STANLEY. He joined these previous honorees: MICHAEL S. TURRINI (1991), JAN D. HENKE (1992), JOSEPH R. SIROIS (1993), CRAIG F. BLACKWOOD (1994), R. JOSEPH BLEAU (1995), RUSSELL LEACH (1997), SANDRA L. BEARDEN (1998), and WILLIAM F. BARTZ (1999). The FCC will hold its 2001 Fairfield Coin Show on *Sunday, September 23, 2001 at the Fairfield Community Center*. More specifics will be reported in the May 2001 NCNA HEADS AND TALES. This Club will begin its 2001 meeting cycle on January 24, 2001, since its cancels any meeting in December. Information the Club or its 2001 Coin Show may be conducted via 'PO Box 944, Fairfield, California, 94533-0094'.

COIN SHOW SCHEDULE

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- Jan.19-21, 2001 SAN JOSE. San Jose Coin Club Annual Show, Parkside Hall, between Park Ave. and San Carlos St. near Market Street, San Jose. Bourse: Ray Johnson, P.O. Box 10416, San Jose, Ca. 95157. Admission \$1.
- Feb. 11, 2001 SAN JOSE. "Cupertino" Coin Club Annual Coin Show, Napredak Hall, 770 Montague Expressway, San Jose. Admission \$2 Bourse: Ken Barr, P.O. Box 32541, San Jose, Ca. 95152 Phone: (408) 272-3247.
- Feb. 17-8, 2001 FRESNO. C.S.N.A. Double Tree Hotel, 1055 Van Ness Ave. Fresno. Bourse: Gary Beeden, P.O. Box 2335, Huntington Beach, Ca. 92647. Phone: (714) 963-6138, e mail: beedon@earthlink.net
- Mar. 11, 2001 LIVERMORE. Livermore Valley Coin Club 38th Annual Coin Show, Elks Lodge, 940 Larkspur, Livermore. Bourse: Howard Kosanke, P.O. Box 610, Livermore, Ca. 94551. Phone (510) 449-1973.
- Mar.16-18, 2001 DUBLIN. "2000" Token Jamboree, Western States Token Society, Best Western Monarch Hotel, 6680 Regional Street, Dublin, Ca. Bourse/Information: Duane Feisel, P.O. Box 212, Shingletown, Ca. 96088 Phone: (530) 547-3447
- Mar. 17-8, 2001 SANTA ROSA. Redwood Empire Coin Club Annual Show, E.L. Finley Bldg., Sonoma County Fairgrounds, 1350 Bennett Road., Santa Rosa. Bourse: Merle Avila (707) 585-3711. Admission \$1, under 12 free.
- Mar. 31-1 April 2001 SACRAMENTO. 17th Annual Spring Coin Show, Convention Center, 1400 "J" St., Sacramento. Bourse: David Herr, P.O. Box 160122, Sacramento, Ca. 95816 (530) 885-9050
- Apr. 21-2, 2001 NEVADA CITY. Nevada City Coin Show, Elk's Lodge, 518 Highway 49 North, Nevada City. Leo Labrie, P.O. Box 611, Nevada City, Ca. 95959-0611. Phone: (530) 265-4920. E Mail: labrie@jps.net

- Apr. 28-9, 2001 EUREKA. Eureka Coin Club Annual Coin Show, Doubletree Inn, U.S 101 southbound between T and V Streets Eureka. (no bourse information yet).
- May 6, 2001 VALLEJO. Vallejo Numismatic Society 29th Annual Show, Solano County Building, Solano County Fairgrounds, 900 Fairgrounds Drive (at Highway 37 and Interstate 80), Vallejo. Bourse: V.N.S., P.O. Box 4281, Vallejo, Ca. 94590. (Phone: 510-526-0538 or 925-825-0649)
- May 18-20, 2001 RENO. Reno Coin Club 16th Annual Coin Show, Peppermill Hotel Casino, South Virginia Street, Reno, Nevada. Bourse: David Carruthers, Grand Gold Coins, Reno Hilton Mall, Suite 3, Reno, NV 89595 Phone: (775) 329-0621.
- July 14-5, 2001 MODESTO. Stanislaus County Coin Club 12th Coin Show, Modesto Centre Plaza, 1000 "L" Street, Modesto. Bourse: Sandy Woodward, P.O. Box 355, Turlock, Ca. 95381 Phone: (209) 668-3682
- July 27-29, 2001 CONCORD. NorCal Invitational Coin Show *("N.C.N.A.") * [Formerly N.C.N.A. Jack Tar/Cathedral Hill Show]. Concord Sheraton Hotel, 45 John Glenn Drive off Concord Avenue and interstate 680, Concord. Bourse Info: Vince Lacariere (510) 792-1511
- August 19, 2001 FREMONT. Fremont Coin Club Annual Show, Elk's Hall, 38991 Farwell Drive, Fremont, Ca. Information: (510) 792-1511; Bourse: Vince LaCariere, P.O. Box 1401, Fremont, Ca. 94538.
- Sept. 16, 2001 ALAMEDA. Alameda Coin Club Coin Show, Alameda Elk's Lodge, 2255 Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda. Bourse: Don Barsi, P.O. Box 7989, Fremont, Ca. 94537.
- Sept. 23, 2001 FAIRFIELD. Fairfield Coin Club 12th Annual Coin Show. Fairfield Community Center, 1000 Kentucky at Pennsylvania, Fairfield. Bourse/ Info: Jan Henke @ 707-427-0482 or Bill Bartz @ 707-435-8751.
- Oct. 20-1, 2001 STOCKTON. Delta Coin Club Annual Coin Show, Eagle's Hall, 1492 Bourbon Street, Stockton. Bourse: Ruben Smith III, P.O. Box 5787, Stockton, Ca. 95205 Phone: (209) 982-5961, e mail: rubenIII@go.com
- Oct. 27-8, 2001 FRESNO. Fresno Numismatic Society 34rd Annual Coin Show, Las Palmas Masonic Hall, 2992 E. Clinton Avenue, Fresno. Bourse: Ruth Phillips, 227 N. Duke Ave., Fresno, Ca. 93727. (Admission \$1)